HOUSE JOURNAL

SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, FOURTH CALLED SESSION

PROCEEDINGS

TWELFTH DAY — MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1992

The house met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the speaker.

The roll of the house was called and a quorum was announced present (Record 26).

Present — Mr. Speaker; Alexander; Arnold; Bailey; Barton; Black; Blair; Bomer; Bosse; Brimer; Cain; Campbell; Carona; Carter; Cavazos; Chisum; Clemons; Colbert; Coleman; Conley; Cook; Craddick; Crawford; Cuellar, H.; Cuellar, R.; Culberson; Danburg; De La Garza; Denton; Earley; Edwards; Erickson; Finnell; Fleuriet; Gallego; Gallegos; Glaze; Glossbrenner; Goodman; Goolsby; Granoff; Gray; Greenberg; Grusendorf; Gutierrez; Haggerty; Hamric; Harris; Heflin; Hernandez; Hightower; Hilbert; Hilderbran; Hill, F.; Hirschi; Holzheauser; Horn; Hudson; Hunter, B.; Hunter, T.; Jackson; Johnson; Junell; Kamel; Kubiak; Kuempel; Laney; Larry; Lewis, R.; Linebarger; Luna; Marchant; Martin; Maxey; McCall; McCollough; McDonald; Naishtat; Oakley; Ogden; Oliveira; Ovard; Park; Patterson; Perez; Pierce; Place; Price; Puente; Rabuck; Ramsay; Repp; Sadler; Saunders; Schoolcraft; Seidlits; Shea; Shelley; Smith, A.; Smith, D.; Soileau; Stiles; Swinford; Tallas; Taylor; Telford; Thomas; Thompson, G.; Thompson, S.; Turner, B.; Turner, S.; Van de Putte; Von Dohlen; Watkins; Wentworth; Williamson; Willis; Willy; Yarbrough; Yost.

Absent, Excused — Berlanga; Brady; Collazo; Counts; Delco; Delisi; Eckels; Fraser, Hartnett; Hill, A.; Jones; Madla; Mowery; Rangel; Rodriguez; Schechter; Smithee; Uher; Wolens.

Absent — Blackwood; Cate; Dutton; Martinez; Moreno; Pennington; Robnett; Rudd; Vowell; Wallace; Wilson.

The invocation was offered by Reverend Jimmie L. Flakes, Jr., Palestine Baptist Church, Victoria, Texas, as follows:

A prayer of God's omnipresence and omniscience from a Psalm of David:

O Lord, thou hast searched me and known me. Thou dost know when I sit down and when I rise up; Thou dost understand my thought from afar.

Thou dost scrutinize my path and my lying down, And art intimately acquainted with all my ways. Even before there is a word on my tongue, Behold, O Lord, thou dost know it all.

Thou hast enclosed me behind and before, And laid thy hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is too high, I cannot attain to it.

Where can I go from thy spirit?

Or where can I flee from thy presence?

If I ascend to heaven, thou art there;

If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, thou art there.

If I take the wings of the dawn,

If I dwell in the remotest part of the sea,

Even there thy hand will lead me,

And thy right hand will lay hold of me.

Father, it is with these thoughts in mind and heart we come before you this day on behalf of this august body of men and women who are assembled to deliberate on the weighty matters presented before them. We ask simply that you guide their minds, hearts, and spirits toward a collective unity that results in the kind of decision which will serve the greater good of humanity, specifically the children and the educators of this state, and will fairly and justly and rightly impact the citizens who must undergird it with their support and possessions.

Grant that differences can be minimized and similarities can be maximized to the greatest extent possible that the purposes of your divinely ordained government may be attained.

And when all these decisions, deliberations, and determinations are concluded, we pray our efforts will be pleasing in your sight. In the name, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following members were granted leaves of absence for today because of important business:

Uher on motion of Laney.

Wolens on motion of Kubiak.

Hartnett on motion of Gallego.

Madla on motion of Hernandez.

Delco on motion of Gallego.

Berlanga on motion of Gallegos.

Collazo on motion of Soileau.

Eckels on motion of A. Smith.

Fraser on motion of Kuempel.

Counts on motion of Chisum.

Smithee on motion of Crawford.

The following members were granted leaves of absence for today because of important business in the district:

Rodriguez on motion of Kubiak.

Brady on motion of Hirschi.

The following members were granted leaves of absence for today because of illness:

Mowery on motion of Park.

Rangel on motion of McDonald.

The following member was granted leave of absence for today because of a death in the family:

Delisi on motion of Goolsby.

The following members were granted leaves of absence for today because of illness in the family:

A. Hill on motion of Thomas.

Schechter on motion of Kubiak.

The following member was granted leave of absence for today and tomorrow because of his wife's surgery:

Jones on motion of Goolsby.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Austin, Texas, November 30, 1992

The Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives House Chamber

The Honorable

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following:

SCR 10 by Rosson, urging the President of the United States to declassify information relating to American military personnel and civilians unaccounted for in Southeast Asia.

Respectfully, Betty King Secretary of the Senate

SIGNED BY SPEAKER

The speaker signed in the presence of the house, after giving due notice thereof, the following enrolled resolutions:

HCR 17, HCR 18, SCR 5, SCR 7, SCR 9

HR 98 - ADOPTED

Representative Stiles moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time, HR 98.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By Stiles:

HR 98, Honoring Norman J. Troy for his outstanding career as county commissioner of Precinct 1 in Jefferson County and extending best wishes for a rewarding retirement.

The resolution was adopted without objection.

HR 99 - ADOPTED

Representative Stiles moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time, HR 99.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By Stiles:

HR 99, Paying tribute to the life of John Laurence Bell, Jr.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

HR 100 - ADOPTED

Representative Hilderbran moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time, HR 100.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By Hilderbran:

HR 100, Honoring the memory of Henry Jack Mitchell.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

HR 93 - ADOPTED

Representative Kubiak moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time, HR 93.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By Kubiak:

HR 93, Commending Deputy Police Chief Raymond Thaler for his outstanding career as a law enforcement officer.

The resolution was adopted without objection.

HR 96 - ADOPTED

Representative Kubiak moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time, HR 96.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By Kubiak:

HR 96, Honoring Florene Rosselli for her exemplary service to the citizens of Austin County.

The resolution was adopted without objection.

HCR 19 - ADOPTED

Representative Greenberg moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time, HCR 19.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By Greenberg:

HCR 19, Honoring the life of the Honorable Zollie C. Steakley.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of Representative Kubiak, the names of all the members of the house were added to HCR 19 as signers thereof.

(Rudd now present)

HCR 22 - ADOPTED

Representative McCollough moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time, HCR 22.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By McCollough:

HCR 22, Honoring Judge William S. Lott for his outstanding contributions as a member of the judiciary and extending wishes for a rewarding retirement.

The resolution was adopted without objection.

On motion of Representative Kubiak, the names of all the members of the house were added to HCR 22 as signers thereof.

HR 101 - ADOPTED

Representative Rudd moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time, HR 101.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By Rudd, Haggerty, Saunders, R. Lewis and Goolsby:

HR 101, Extending warmest congratulations to our friend and colleague, the Honorable Edmund Kuempel, on the occasion of his 50th birthday.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

On motion of Representative Chisum, the names of all the members of the house were added to $HR\ 101$ as signers thereof.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following member was granted leave of absence for today because of illness in the family:

Martinez on motion of Gallegos.

The following member was granted leave of absence for today because of important business:

Blackwood on motion of Horn.

(Wilson now present)

ADJOURNMENT

Representative F. Hill moved that the house adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow, in memory of Sean Cooper, Fred Franzhaf, and Justin Marquart, three Richardson teenagers who were victims of violent crime.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The house accordingly, at 2:24 p.m., adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow.